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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Serial No.: 10/014,479

nventors: H. Kobayashi et al.

Filed: 12/14/2001

Group Art Unit: 1754

METHOD FOR PRODUCING HYDROGEN

Examiner: William Wright

Fee

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND ACCOMPANYING FEES

Commissioner for Patents

PO Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

(A) Extension of Time and Requisite Fee:

The undersigned Attorney respectfully petitions the Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for taking action in the above-identified application for a period of time indicated in the box below.

(1)	Original Period for Response was Set t	o Expire on:	
	11/25/03		
	(Month/Day/Year)		
(2)	Statutory Period Expires	2/25/04	
		(Month/Day/Year)	

Extension now requested (NOT TO EXCEED STATUTORY PERIOD) is for the following period of time from date (1) above:

	[] One Month	\$ 110.00
	[X] Two Months	\$ 420.00
	[] Three Months	\$ 950.00
	[] Four Months	\$1,480.00
	[] Credit is requested for prior extension fees paid	\$
(B)	[] Additional Fee for Response filed herewith: [] Amendment (additional claims)	£220.00
	[] Notice of Appeal [] Appeal Brief	\$320.00
	[] Declaration	\$130.00
	[] Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	\$750.00

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I hereby certify that this item of correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail, with sufficient postage, addressed to Commissioner of Patents, PO Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on January 26, 2004.

Signature:

Name of person signing: Donald T. Black Date of signature: January 26, 2004

(C) Total Fee for this Petition and any Response filed herewith:

The total fee, in the amount of \$420.00 is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 16-2440.

Please charge any additional fee which may be required for this Petition and/or Response, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 16-2440. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed for the convenience of the Finance Branch.

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Dated: Janua

January 26, 2004

Attorney Ref.: D-20,396

Respectfully submitted,

Donald T. Black

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